

The Sony plant (1.2 mil. sq. ft. on 80 acres) consists of three sites in Dothan, Alabama: Site 1 (77 acres)—4275 Main Street; Site 2 (3.3 acres)—135 Woodburn Drive; and, Site 3 (1.6 acres)—921 Tate Drive. The facilities (1,100 employees) currently are used to produce magnetic media products for the recording of audio and video signals and digital information, including audio tape cassettes, video tape cassettes, 3.5-inch computer floppy disks and computer data tape. The plant may also be used to produce a lithium ion battery and recharger system. Some 50 percent of the products are exported.

Foreign-sourced materials and components for the media products (accounting for some 15% of final product value) include carbon, corundum, chromium and iron compounds, acyclic monocarboxylic acids, amine-function compounds, nitrogen compounds, coloring matter, paints, styrene, acrylic polymers, polyacetals, resins, silicones, cellulose, plastics, packing materials, fasteners, steel springs, articles of iron or steel, and prepared unrecorded media.

Foreign-sourced materials related to the proposed battery/recharger production would include transformers, batteries, capacitors, resistors, printed circuits, diodes, semiconductors, consoles, electrical apparatus, wire and battery parts.

Zone procedures would exempt Sony from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in export production. On its domestic sales, the company would be able to choose the duty rates that apply to the finished products (zero to 8.7%), rather than the duty rates that would otherwise apply to the foreign material and components (zero to 18.6%). The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the Sony plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been appointed examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is January 29, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to February 13, 1996).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

Customs Service Port Director's Office,
150 N. Royal Street, Suite 3004,
Mobile, Alabama 36602
Office of the Executive Secretary,
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S.
Department of Commerce, Room
3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue,
NW., Washington, DC 20230

Dated: November 21, 1995.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,
Executive Secretary.

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[Docket 77-95]

Foreign-Trade Zone 168—Fort Worth, TX; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Dallas/Fort Worth Maquila Trade Development Corporation, grantee of FTZ 168, requesting authority to expand its zone in the Fort Worth, Texas, area, within the Dallas/Fort Worth Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on November 21, 1995.

FTZ 168 was approved on November 1, 1990 (Board Order 491, 55 FR 46974, 11/8/90) and reorganized in 1992 and 1994. The zone currently consists of three sites in the Fort Worth, Texas, area:

Site 1 (24 acres)—an industrial area at Alta Mesa and Will Rogers Boulevards, Fort Worth;

Site 2 (263 acres)—within the Centreport Industrial Development, south of DFW International Airport, Fort Worth;

Site 3 (195 acres) within the Fossil Creek Business Park, I-35W and I-820, Fort Worth.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the zone to include an additional site (91 acres) at the Regency Business Park (currently under development), located along Post & Paddock Road, Grand Prairie, Texas. The park is owned by Champion Partners, Ltd., and zone services will be provided by the FTZ Operating Company of Texas.

No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties.

Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is January 29, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to February 13, 1996).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

Office of the Port Director, U.S. Customs Service, 1205 Royal Lane, Irving, Texas 75261

Office of the Executive Secretary,
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S.
Department of Commerce, Room
3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue,
NW., Washington, DC 20230

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[Docket 76-95]

Foreign-Trade Zone 41—Milwaukee, WI; Application To Remove Time Limit Western Publishing Company, Inc. (Children's Books); Milwaukee, Wisconsin Area

A request has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Foreign Trade Zone of Wisconsin, Ltd., grantee of FTZ 41, requesting removal of the time limit contained in Board Order 639 which authorized Western Publishing Company, Inc., to conduct processing activity within FTZ 41, Milwaukee, Wisconsin area. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on November 20, 1995.

The FTZ Board authorized Western Publishing Company, Inc., to assemble children's books under zone procedures within FTZ 41 in 1993 subject to a 3-year time limit (Board Order 639, 58 FR 30144, 5/26/93). The activity involves attaching foreign-sourced sound pads to domestically printed children's books.

Zone procedures exempt Western Publishing from the payment of Customs duties on foreign merchandise used in books assembled for export. On its domestic sales, zone procedures allow the company to choose the duty-free rate that applies to books instead of

the duty rate that would otherwise apply to sound pads (3.9%). The company states that the removal of the time limit would allow Western Publishing to continue to use zone procedures to maintain the U.S. plant's international competitiveness. In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is January 29, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to February 13, 1996).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce District Office, Room 596, 517 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230

Dated: November 21, 1995.

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International Trade Administration

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Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination: Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe From Romania

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 30, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Beck or Magd Zalok, Office of Antidumping Investigations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3464 or (202) 482-4162, respectively.

THE APPLICABLE STATUTE: Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) are references to the provisions effective

January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION: Because of the Federal Government shutdown, the deadline for this preliminary determination has been extended by the number of days of the shutdown, six days, to Tuesday, November 21, 1995.

We preliminarily determine that circular welded non-alloy steel pipe (pipe) from Romania is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV), as provided in section 733 of the Act. The estimated margins are shown in the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice.

Case History

Since the initiation of this investigation on May 16, 1995 (60 FR 27078, May 22, 1995), the following events have occurred:

On May 30, 1995, a letter of appearance was filed on behalf of Tepro S.A. (Tepro), a producer of the subject merchandise, as well as Metagrimex S.A. (Metagrimex), Metalexportimport S.A. (Metalexportimport), and Metanef S.A. (Metanef), exporters of the subject merchandise. On June 7, 1995, a cable was sent to the U.S. Embassy in Romania requesting the identification of Romanian producers and exporters of pipe exported to the United States. We received a response on June 13, 1995, identifying the same companies named in the May 30, 1995, letter of appearance.

On June 12, 1995, the United States International Trade Commission (ITC) notified the Department of Commerce (the Department) of its affirmative preliminary determination.

On June 30, 1995, we presented questionnaires to the Romanian Embassy and counsel for Tepro, Metagrimex, Metalexportimport and Metanef. Supplemental questionnaires were issued in August and September 1995. Responses to the original and supplemental questionnaires were received in August, September, and October 1995.

On September 14, 1995, the Department, at the request of the petitioner, postponed the preliminary determination to November 15, 1995 (60 FR 48690, September 20, 1995).

Postponement of Final Determination

Pursuant to section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Act, on November 20, 1995, the respondents requested that, in the event of an affirmative preliminary determination in this investigation, the Department postpone its final determination until 135 days after the date of publication of an affirmative

preliminary determination in the Federal Register. Pursuant to 19 CFR 353.20(b), because our preliminary determination is affirmative, the respondents account for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise, and no compelling reasons for denial exist, we are granting respondents' request and postponing the final determination.

Scope of Investigation

The following scope language reflects certain modifications from the notice of initiation. In the initiation notice, we indicated that our scope language may change based on any final scope determination regarding the antidumping duty orders on certain circular welded non-alloy steel pipe from Brazil, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, and Venezuela. *See Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Scope Inquiry on Antidumping Duty Orders on Certain Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe From Brazil, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, and Venezuela* (59 FR 1929, January 13, 1994). However, the final determination has not yet been made. Consequently, we have modified our scope language in an effort to eliminate the need for use certification at this time.

For purpose of this investigation, circular welded non-alloy steel pipes (standard pipes) are all pipes and tubes, of circular cross-section, not more than 406.4 mm (16 inches) in outside diameter, regardless of wall thickness, surface finish (black, galvanized, or painted), end finish (plain end, bevelled end, threaded, or threaded and coupled), or industry specification (ASTM, proprietary, or other) used in standard or structural pipe applications.

The scope specifically includes, but is not limited to, all pipe produced to the ASTM A-53, ASTM A-135, ASTM A-795, and BS-1387 specifications. It also includes any pipe multiple-stencilled or multiple-certified to one of the above-listed specifications and to any other specification. Pipe which meets the above physical parameters and which is produced to proprietary specifications, the API-5L, the API-5L X-42, or to any other non-listed specification is included within the scope of this investigation if used in a standard or structural pipe application, regardless of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS)* category into which it was classified. If the pipe does not meet any of the above identified specifications, although it is within the identified physical parameters described in the second paragraph of this section, our presumption is that it